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APPLICANT: CARR, Brian W., et al.
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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At the time the instant application was filed, we were unable to obtain the signature of one inventor; i.e, Nick Merfeld. We have now received this signature and the Power of Attorney or Authorization of Agent properly executed by Mr. Merfeld is attached.

We received the Official filing certificate, but did not receive a Notice of Missing Parts. In a telephone conversation with the Office of Initial Patent Examining, we were advised to send this declaration together with the fee to the Assistant Commissioner of Patents, where it would be made a part of the file.

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I hereby certify that this paper and the documents referred to as enclosed are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 3rd day of September, 2001

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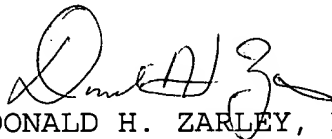
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A check for \$65.00 to cover the government filing fee for late filing of a declaration is attached.

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A favorable action on the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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